

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the above-identified application in view of the present amendment is respectfully requested.

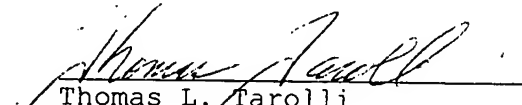
Claim 35 has been added. Claim 35 is claim 20 rewritten in independent form. The Office Action dated May 7, 2004 indicated that claim 20 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Claim 20 was inadvertently cancelled in the amendment mailed on July 29, 2004.

Claim 20 was provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-23 of copending application serial no. 10/360,496. However, claim 20 (claim 35 rewritten) contains subject matter that was not claimed in application serial no. 10/360,496. Thus, claim 35 should be allowable.

In view of the foregoing, it is respectfully submitted that the above-identified application is in condition for allowance, and allowance of the above-identified application is respectfully requested.

Please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment in  
the fees for this amendment to our Deposit Account  
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